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1. Prior to July 1951, neither Soviet nor Rumanian troops were stationed in Radauti (Radautz) (47°05'N/25°05'E), nor were they seen in temporary exercises and maneuvers. The town seemed to be absolutely dead, since all authorities moved in 1945 and, consequently, the businessmen also began to leave.

2. One Rumanian border guard detachment, commanded by a colonel up to mid-1950 and, later, by a major, was located in the town. The men of the detachment wore army uniforms with green epaulets and green cap insignia. They also wore gray chevrons, which served as rank insignia, on their left sleeves. Their summer uniforms were made of light-gray fabric. The men were observed carrying rifles only.

3. A recruiting district headquarters, (Cerc de recrutare), was also located in Radauti. The few soldiers in this office wore army uniforms with red epaulets. Registrations for the draft were held in the spring and the fall of every year. [REDACTED]

4. The only indication that the town was near the border was the presence of the border guard troops. [REDACTED] the border was patrolled by men with dogs. Individuals caught crossing the border illegally were detained for about two weeks. Traffic inspection, which was frequently held up to mid-1950, seemed to be omitted after that time. [REDACTED] heard nothing about the checking of apartments.

5. Traveling within the border area and across the Rumanian-Soviet border was subject to special permits by the police. The population was warned not to mention political and military topics in their mail correspondence. The railway system was in full operation. A single-track railroad line led through Radauti. Its gauge was adjusted to the Soviet railroad system in 1945, but changed again into standard gauge, to the satisfaction of the population, in 1946 or 1947. \*

\* Comment. Radauti is located on the railroad line connecting Dornesti and Siptele Sucevei, which is carried as a standard gauge railroad line according to previous reports. See Annex 2, [REDACTED]

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